

REMARKS

Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the present application.

CLAIM STATUS

Applicants have amended claim 33 to include ATCC deposition number as requested by the Examiner on page 6 of the Office Action. No new matter has been added.

Applicants have amended withdrawn 34 and 48 and canceled withdrawn claims 37, 39 and 49. Applicants have revised withdrawn claims to make them rejoinable with claim 33. Applicants' representative, Alexey Saprigin, discussed the rejoinder of the amended withdrawn claim during the March 29th interview with Examiner Woitach. No new matter has been added.

After the amendment, claim 33-36, 38 and 40-48 are pending in the Application.

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENT

Applicants have amended a paragraph on page 7 of the specification to provide the information regarding the particulars of the biomaterial deposit as requested by the Examiner on page 4 of the Office Action. No new matter has been added.

SPECIFICATION OBJECTION

The PTO objected to the specification because it lacks the information regarding the particulars of the biomaterial deposit. Applicants believe that the present amendment to the specification obviates the objection.

CLAIM OBJECTION

The PTO objected to claim 33 because neither the specification, nor the claim have the appropriate biomaterial deposit information. Applicants believe that amended claim 33 and the revised specification obviate the objection.

WITHDRAWN CLAIMS

Applicants respectfully request a rejoinder of claims 34-36, 38, 40-48 with claim 33 as was agreed during the March 29th interview between Examiner Woitach and Alexey Sapargin.

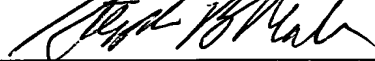
CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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